

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTEENTH
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA

Administrative Order 2021-30-CO (Amended)

**ESTABLISHING COURTHOUSE
LOCATIONS AND CASE DISTRIBUTION FOR COUNTY AND
MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS, AND MISDEMEANORS**

(a) Pursuant to Article V, section 2(d) of the Florida Constitution and section 43.26, Florida Statutes, the chief judge of each judicial circuit is charged with the authority and power to do everything necessary to promote the prompt and efficient administration of justice.

(b) Florida Rule of General Practice and Judicial Administration 2.215(b)(3) states the chief judge “shall, considering available resources, ensure the efficient and proper administration of all courts within [this] circuit.”

(c) The Broward County Board of County Commissioners has established four (4) courthouses in Broward County. The Broward County Central Judicial Complex is located at 201 S.E. Sixth Street, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33301 (“Central Courthouse”). The North Regional Courthouse is located at 1600 West Hillsboro Boulevard, Deerfield Beach, Florida 33442 (“North Regional Courthouse”). The South Regional Courthouse is located at 3550 Hollywood Boulevard, Hollywood, Florida 33021 (“South Regional Courthouse”). The West Regional Courthouse is located at 100 North Pine Island Road, Plantation, Florida 33324 (“West Regional Courthouse”). For purposes of this Administrative Order, the Central Courthouse, North Regional Courthouse, South Regional Courthouse, and West Regional Courthouse will collectively be referred to as the “Broward County Courthouses.”

(d) In accordance with the authority vested in the Chief Judge by Article V, section 2(d) of the Florida Constitution, section 43.26, Florida Statute, and Florida Rule of General Practice and Judicial Administration 2.215, it is hereby **ORDERED:**

(1) County ordinance violations, misdemeanors, and municipal ordinance violations shall be filed and heard as indicated below, except as otherwise provided herein:

Initiating Law Enforcement Agency	Courthouse Location
BSO District 1 (West Park)	South

BSO District 2 (Dania Beach)	Central (Division MS)
BSO District 3 (Airport)	Central (Division MS)
BSO District 4 (Lauderdale Lakes)	Central (Division MS)
BSO District 5 (West of Ft. Lauderdale)	Central (Division MS)
BSO District 6 (Courthouse)	Central (Division MS)
BSO District 7 (Tamarac)	West
BSO District 8 (Weston)	West
BSO District 9 (Southwest Ranches)	Central (Division MS)
BSO District 10 (Deerfield Beach)	North
BSO District 11 (Pompano Beach)	Central (Division MS)
BSO District 12 (Oakland Park)	Central (Division MS)
BSO District 13 (Lauderdale-by-the-Sea)	Central (Division MS)
BSO District 14 (Port Everglades Authority)	Central (Division MS)
BSO District 15 (North Lauderdale)	Central (Division MS)
BSO District 16 (Cooper City)	South
BSO District 17 (Parkland)	North
BSO Fatality Cases (offenses occurring north of Oakland Park Boulevard)	Central (Division MT)
BSO Fatality Cases (offenses occurring south of Oakland Park Boulevard)	Central (Division MT)
BSO Special Operations	Central (Division MS)
Broward County Animal Care & Regulation (adjudication of animal care violation)	West
Broward County School Board	Central (Division MP)
City of Lauderhill Police Department	Central (Division MS)

City of Lazy Lake	Central (Division MS)
Coconut Creek Police Department	North
Coral Springs Police Department	North
CSX Railroad	Central (Division MS)
Davie Police Department	West
Fort Lauderdale	Central (Division MW)
Florida Atlantic University Police Department	Central (Division MS)
Florida East Coast Railroad	Central (Division MS)
Florida Highway Patrol (North)	North
Florida Highway Patrol (West)	West
Hallandale Beach Police Department	South
Hillsboro Beach Police Department	North
Hollywood Police Department	South
Lighthouse Point Police Department	Central (Division MS)
Margate Police Department	North
Miccosukee Indian Nation	South
Miramar Police Department	South
Pembroke Park Police Department	South
Pembroke Pines Police Department	South
Plantation Police Department	West
Sea Ranch Lakes Police Department	Central (Division MS)
Seminole Indian Nation	Central (Division MS)
“Smoking in Public Violations” (§ 386.204, Fla. Stat.)	North
State of Florida – Department of Motor Vehicles	Central (Division MS)
State of Florida - Department of Transportation	South
State of Florida - Division of Alcohol & Tobacco	West
State of Florida - Division of Driver’s License (Hallandale Beach, Pembroke Pines and Hollywood offices)	Central (Division MS)

State of Florida – Division of Driver’s License (Tamarac & Lauderdale)	Central (Division MS)
State of Florida - Division of Driver’s License (Pompano and Margate Offices)	Central (Division MS)
State of Florida - Division of Forestry	South
State of Florida - Fire Marshall Cases	North
State of Florida - Fresh Water Fish and Game Commission	Central (Division MS)
State of Florida - Highway Patrol	North
State of Florida - Marine Patrol	South
State of Florida - Office of Toll Operations (Sunpass)	West
Sunrise Police Department	West
Tri-Rail	North
Wilton Manors Police Department	Central (Division MA)

(2) Cases filed in accordance with this administrative order that are required to be filed to a satellite courthouse location (North, South, or West) shall be assigned by the Clerk of Court to the judicial officers assigned to the county criminal divisions at these courthouse locations in as equal a distribution as possible, except as set forth herein or as otherwise directed by memorandum from the Chief Judge or Administrative Judge of the County Court.

(3) Cases filed prior to the effective date of this Administrative Order shall remain with the originally assigned courthouse location and county criminal judicial division assigned at the time of filing.

(4) Cases involving a charge of DUI and which are designated by the prefix “MU” shall be filed to the Central Courthouse location and assigned to county criminal judicial officers at the Central Courthouse location in as equal a distribution as possible.

(5) Misdemeanor (MM) and traffic criminal (TC) cases filed by the City of Fort Lauderdale shall be filed to the Central Courthouse location and assigned to the county criminal judicial officers at the Central Courthouse location in as equal a distribution as possible.

(6) Any State of Florida agency, department, division, or office not reflected in paragraph (1) shall file its initiating criminal documents at the Central Courthouse and such matters shall be assigned to County Civil Division MS.

(7) This Administrative Order vacates and supersedes Administrative Order 2021-30-CO.

DONE AND ORDERED in Chambers, Fort Lauderdale, Broward County, Florida, this 26th day of October, 2022.

/s/ Jack Tuter
Jack Tuter, Chief Judge